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AN ACT MAKING REVISIONS TO STATUTES CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subsection (o) of section 14-49 of the 2010 supplement to
- 2 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
- 3 thereof (Effective July 1, 2010):
- (o) No registration fee [or operator's license fee] shall be charged in respect to any motor vehicle owned by a municipality, as defined in section 7-245, any other governmental agency or a military agency and 7 used exclusively for the conduct of official business. No registration fee 8 shall be charged for any motor vehicle owned by or leased to a transit district and used exclusively to provide public transportation. No fee 10 shall be charged for the registration of ambulances owned by hospitals or any nonprofit civic organization approved by the commissioner, but 12 a fee of twenty dollars shall be charged for the inspection of any such 13 ambulance. No fee shall be charged for the registration of fire department apparatus as provided by section 14-19. No registration fee shall be charged to a disabled veteran, as defined in section 14-254, residing in this state for the registration of three passenger, camper or passenger and commercial motor vehicles leased or owned by such veteran in any registration year, provided such vehicles shall not be 19 used for hire. No registration fee shall be charged for any motor

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- vehicle leased to an agency of this state on or after June 4, 1982.
- 21 Sec. 2. Subdivision (2) of subsection (g) of section 14-44j of the
- 22 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
- 23 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2010*):
- 24 (2) Any employer which knowingly permits or requires a driver to
- 25 operate a commercial motor vehicle in violation of an out-of-service
- order shall be subject to [a] the civil [penalty of not less than two
- 27 thousand seven hundred fifty dollars or more than eleven thousand
- 28 dollars] penalties prescribed in 49 CFR Section 383.53, as amended
- 29 <u>from time to time</u>.
- 30 Sec. 3. Section 14-44k of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 31 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2010*):
- 32 (a) A driver who is disqualified or subject to an out-of-service order
- 33 shall not drive a commercial motor vehicle. An employer shall not
- 34 knowingly permit or require a driver who is disqualified to drive a
- 35 commercial motor vehicle.
- 36 (b) In addition to any other penalties provided by law, and except as
- 37 provided in subsection (d) of this section, a person is disqualified from
- operating a commercial motor vehicle for one year if convicted of [one]
- 39 <u>a</u> violation of (1) operating any motor vehicle while under the
- 40 influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs, or both, under section 14-
- 41 227a, (2) operating a commercial motor vehicle while having a blood
- 42 alcohol concentration of four-hundredths of one per cent, or more, (3)
- evasion of responsibility under section 14-224, (4) using any motor
- vehicle in the commission of any felony, as defined in section 14-1, [or]
- 45 (5) operating a commercial motor vehicle while the operator's
- 46 commercial driver's license is revoked, suspended or cancelled, or
- while the operator is disqualified from operating a commercial motor
- 48 vehicle, or (6) operating a commercial motor vehicle while using a
- 49 <u>hand-held mobile telephone or mobile electronic device under section</u>
- 50 <u>14-296aa</u>. In addition to any other penalties provided by law, and
- 51 except as provided in subsection (d) of this section, a person is

52 disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle for a period of 53 not more than two years if convicted of one violation of causing a 54 fatality through the negligent or reckless operation of a commercial 55 motor vehicle, as evidenced by a conviction of a violation of section 14-56 222a, 53a-56b, 53a-57 or 53a-60d. The disqualification periods in this 57 subsection shall also apply to convictions under the provisions of law 58 of another state, of offenses deemed by the commissioner to be 59 substantially similar to the offenses described in this subsection.

- (c) In addition to any other penalties provided by law, and except as provided in subsection (d) of this section, a person is disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle for one year if the commissioner finds that such person has refused to submit to a test to determine such person's blood alcohol concentration while operating any motor vehicle, or has failed such a test when given, pursuant to the provisions of section 14-227b, as amended by this act, or pursuant to the provisions of a law of any other state that is deemed by the commissioner to be substantially similar to section 14-227b, as amended by this act. For the purpose of this subsection, a person shall be deemed to have failed such a test if, when driving a commercial motor vehicle, the ratio of alcohol in the blood of such person was four-hundredths of one per cent or more of alcohol, by weight, or if, when driving any other motor vehicle, the ratio of alcohol in the blood of such person was eight-hundredths of one per cent or more of alcohol, by weight.
- (d) If a person commits any of the disqualifying offenses identified in subsection (b) of this section or is the subject of a finding by the commissioner under subsection (c) of this section while driving a vehicle transporting hazardous materials, required to be placarded under the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act, 49 USC 1801 to 1813, inclusive, as amended, such person shall be disqualified for a period of three years.
- (e) In addition to any other penalties provided by law, a person is disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle for (1) sixty

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days if convicted of failure to stop at a railroad grade crossing, in violation of section 14-249 or 14-250, while operating a commercial motor vehicle, (2) one hundred twenty days if convicted of a second violation of section 14-249 or 14-250 while operating a commercial motor vehicle, and (3) one year if convicted of a third or subsequent violation of section 14-249 or 14-250 while operating a commercial motor vehicle, during any three-year period. The disqualification periods in this subsection shall also apply to convictions under the provisions of law of another state, of offenses deemed by the commissioner to be substantially similar to the offenses described in this subsection.

- (f) In addition to any other penalties provided by law, a person is disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle for a period of not less than sixty days if convicted of two serious traffic violations, as defined in section 14-1, or one hundred twenty days if convicted of three serious traffic violations, committed while operating any motor vehicle arising from separate incidents occurring within a three-year period. The period of any disqualification for a subsequent offense imposed under this subsection shall commence immediately after the period of any other disqualification imposed on such person. The disqualification periods in this subsection shall also apply to convictions under the provisions of law of another state, of offenses deemed by the commissioner to constitute serious traffic violations, as defined in section 14-1.
- (g) Any person who uses any motor vehicle in the commission of a felony involving the manufacture, distribution or dispensing of a controlled substance shall be disqualified for life.
- (h) A person is disqualified for life if such person commits two or more of the offenses specified in subsection (b) of this section, or if such person is the subject of two or more findings by the commissioner under subsection (c) of this section, or any combination of those offenses or findings, arising from two or more separate incidents. A person is disqualified for life if the commissioner takes suspension

actions against such person for two or more alcohol test refusals or test failures, or any combination of such actions, arising from two or more separate incidents. Any person disqualified for life, except a person disqualified under subsection (g) of this section, who has both voluntarily enrolled in and successfully completed an appropriate rehabilitation program, as determined by the commissioner, may apply for reinstatement of such person's commercial driver's license, provided any such applicant shall not be eligible for reinstatement until such time as such person has served a minimum disqualification period of ten years. If a person whose commercial driver's license is reinstated is subsequently convicted of another disqualifying offense, such person shall be permanently disqualified for life and shall be ineligible to reapply for a reduction of the lifetime disqualification.

- (i) (1) Except as provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection, any person who violates an out-of-service order shall be disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle: (A) For a period of not less than [ninety] one hundred eighty days or more than one year for a first violation; (B) for a period of not less than [one year] two years or more than five years for a second violation during any ten-year period, where such violations arose from separate incidents; and (C) for a period of not less than three years or more than five years for a third or subsequent violation during any ten-year period, where such violations arose from separate incidents.
- (2) Any person who violates an out-of-service order while driving a vehicle transporting hazardous materials, required to be placarded under the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act, 49 USC 1801 to 1813, inclusive, or a commercial motor vehicle designed to transport sixteen or more passengers, including the driver, shall be disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle: (A) For a period of not less than one hundred eighty days or more than two years for a first violation, and (B) for a period of not less than three years or more than five years for a second or subsequent violation during any ten-year period, where such violations arose from separate incidents.

- (3) In addition to the penalties provided in subdivision (1) or (2) of this subsection, any person who violates an out-of-service order shall be subject to [a] the civil [penalty of not less than one thousand one hundred dollars or more than two thousand seven hundred fifty dollars] penalties prescribed in 49 CFR Section 383.53, as amended from time to time.
 - (j) Any holder of a commercial driver's license whose driving is determined by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration to constitute an imminent hazard, as defined in section 14-1, shall be disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle. The period of disqualification may not exceed thirty days unless the commissioner is satisfied that the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration has complied with the procedures for review and hearing set forth in 49 CFR 383.52. The period of any disqualification imposed under this subsection shall be concurrent with the period of any other disqualification or suspension imposed on such commercial driver.
 - (k) After taking disqualification action, or suspending, revoking or cancelling a commercial driver's license, the commissioner shall update the commissioner's records to reflect such action within ten days. After taking disqualification action, or suspending, revoking or cancelling the operating privileges of a commercial driver who is licensed in another state, the commissioner shall notify the licensing state of such action within ten days. Such notification shall identify the violation that caused such disqualification, suspension, cancellation or revocation.
 - Sec. 4. (NEW) (Effective from passage) A tow dolly shall be exempt from the registration requirements of chapter 246 of the general statutes. As used in this section "tow dolly" means a two-wheeled vehicle without motive power (1) that is towed by a motor vehicle, (2) that is designed and used to tow another motor vehicle, and (3) upon which the front or rear wheels of the towed motor vehicle are mounted while the other wheels of the towed motor vehicle remain in contact with the ground.

Sec. 5. Subsection (a) of section 14-22 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July* 1, 2010):

- (a) A motor vehicle registration issued pursuant to this chapter shall expire in accordance with schedules established by the commissioner. If the expiration date of the registration of the motor vehicle, except the registration of a motor vehicle used to transport passengers for hire, falls on any day when offices of the commissioner are closed for business, the registration shall be deemed valid for the operation of the motor vehicle until midnight of the next day on which offices of the commissioner are open for business. The commissioner shall prescribe the date and manner of renewing registrations. Not less than forty-five days prior to the expiration of any valid registration, [commissioner] department shall [cause to be mailed] mail an application for renewal to the registrant. [an application for renewal.] In the case of a motor vehicle registered to a leasing company licensed pursuant to section 14-15, the department may mail an application for renewal of a leased vehicle to the lessee of such vehicle. Except for the processing of such application at an official emissions inspection station as provided in subsection (b) of this section or by telephone as provided in subsection (c) of this section, the commissioner may require that the application be returned by mail in order to be processed and approved, with only such exceptions, on a hardship basis, as shall be established by the commissioner in regulations [,] adopted pursuant to chapter 54.
- Sec. 6. Subsection (c) of section 54-56e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):
 - (c) This section shall not be applicable: (1) To any person charged with a class A felony, a class B felony, except a violation of section 53a-122 that does not involve the use, attempted use or threatened use of physical force against another person, or a violation of section 14-227a, subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 53-21, section 53a-56b, 53a-

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- Sec. 7. Subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of section 14-100a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):
- (c) (1) The operator of and any front seat passenger in [a] <u>any</u> motor vehicle [with a gross vehicle weight rating not exceeding ten thousand pounds] or fire fighting apparatus originally equipped with seat safety belts complying with the provisions of [the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 49, Section 571.209] <u>49 CFR 571.209</u>, as amended from time to time, shall wear such seat safety belt while the vehicle is being operated on any highway, except as follows:
- (A) A child six years of age and under shall be restrained as provided in subsection (d) of this section;
- (B) The operator of such vehicle shall secure or cause to be secured in a seat safety belt any passenger seven years of age or older and under sixteen years of age; and

- (C) If the operator of such vehicle is under eighteen years of age, such operator and each passenger in such vehicle shall wear such seat safety belt while the vehicle is being operated on any highway.
- Sec. 8. Subsection (a) of section 14-267b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
- 255 (a) The provisions of subdivisions (1), (2), (3), (4) and [(7)] (8) of subsection (b) of section [14a-267a] 14-267a shall not apply to any 257 motor bus, as defined in section 14-1, if such motor bus complies with the weight limits specified in 23 CFR 658.17.
- Sec. 9. Subsection (a) of section 14-16c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):
 - (a) (1) (A) Any insurance company which takes possession of a motor vehicle for which a certificate of title has been issued in this state, that has been declared a total loss and that is offered for sale in this state by such insurance company or its agent as a result of the settlement of a claim for damage or theft, shall stamp the word "SALVAGE" in one-inch-high letters not to exceed three inches in length on the vehicle's certificate of title and shall attach to such certificate of title a copy of the appraiser's damage report for such totalled motor vehicle, except that if the insurance company determines that such motor vehicle has ten or more major component parts which are damaged beyond repair and must be replaced, the insurance company shall stamp the words "SALVAGE PARTS ONLY" in one-inch-high letters not to exceed three inches in length on the vehicle's certificate of title. A copy of such certificate shall be sent by the insurance company to the Department of Motor Vehicles. If the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles determines that salvage information required to be reported by an insurance company to the National Motor Vehicle Title Information System under 49 USC Sections 30501 to 30505, inclusive, and 28 CFR Sections 25.51 to 25.57, inclusive, is

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available to the department on a regular basis from the National Motor Vehicle Title Information System, the commissioner may discontinue the requirement that an insurance company submit a copy of such certificate to the department. (B) Any insurance company which takes possession of a motor vehicle for which a certificate of title has been issued in any state other than this state that has been declared a total loss and that is offered for sale in this state by such insurance company or its agent as a result of the settlement of a claim for damage or theft, shall attach to such certificate of title a copy of the appraiser's damage report for such totalled motor vehicle.

(2) (A) Any person, firm or corporation which is a self-insurer and owns a motor vehicle for which a certificate of title has been issued in this state, that has been declared a total loss and that is offered for sale in this state by such self-insurer or its agent, shall stamp the word "SALVAGE" in one-inch-high letters not to exceed three inches in length on the vehicle's certificate of title and shall attach to such certificate of title a copy of the appraiser's damage report for such totalled motor vehicle, except that if such self-insurer determines that such motor vehicle has ten or more major component parts which are damaged beyond repair and must be replaced, the self-insurer shall stamp the words "SALVAGE PARTS ONLY" in one-inch-high letters not to exceed three inches in length on the motor vehicle's certificate of title. Any person, firm or corporation which is insured other than by means of self-insurance and owns such a motor vehicle, shall forward the vehicle's certificate of title to the company insuring such vehicle or the company paying the totalled claim. Such insurer shall stamp the word "SALVAGE" in one-inch-high letters not to exceed three inches in length on the certificate of title except that if the insurance company determines that such motor vehicle has ten or more major component parts which are damaged beyond repair and must be replaced, the insurer taking possession of such motor vehicle shall stamp the words "SALVAGE PARTS ONLY" in one-inch-high letters not to exceed three inches in length on the motor vehicle's certificate of title and shall return such certificate to such person, firm or corporation. A copy of

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- 315 such certificate shall be sent by the person, firm or corporation to the 316 Department of Motor Vehicles. If the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles 317 determines that salvage information required to be reported by a selfinsurer to the National Motor Vehicle Title Information System under 318 319 49 USC Sections 30501 to 30505, inclusive, and 28 CFR Sections 25.51 to 320 25.57, inclusive, is available to the department on a regular basis from 321 the National Motor Vehicle Title Information System, 322 commissioner may discontinue the requirement that a self-insurer 323 submit a copy of such certificate to the department. (B) Any person, firm or corporation which is a self-insurer and owns a motor vehicle 324 325 for which a certificate of title has been issued in any state other than 326 this state that has been declared a total loss and that is offered for sale 327 in this state by such self-insurer or its agent, shall attach to such 328 certificate of title a copy of the appraiser's damage report for such 329 totalled motor vehicle.
- 330 (3) For purposes of this subsection, "major component part" shall have the same meaning as provided in subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 14-149a.
- Sec. 10. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 14-67m of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
- 336 (a) Each motor vehicle recycler licensee shall maintain a suitable 337 office and keep accurate records of all motor vehicles or major 338 component parts thereof received, dismantled or sold. Such records 339 may be handwritten, typewritten or computer-generated. Such 340 records, vehicles and parts shall be available for inspection during 341 regular business hours by one or more representatives of the 342 Department of Motor Vehicles, the Division of State Police within the 343 Department of Public Safety or any organized local police department. 344 Such inspection shall include examination of the recycler's premises to 345 determine the accuracy of the required records. Such records shall 346 include the make, year, engine number, if any, and identification 347 number of each vehicle, the name and address of the person from

348 whom each vehicle or part was received and to whom each vehicle or 349 part was sold, if a sale occurred, and the date of such receipt and sale. 350 The records shall be maintained for a period of two years after each receipt or sale. Twice a month, each such licensee shall mail to the 351 352 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles a list of all motor vehicles received, 353 stating the make, year, engine number, if any, and identification 354 number of each such vehicle. The list, on a form approved by the 355 commissioner, shall be mailed or delivered to the commissioner on or 356 before the twentieth day of each month, covering the first fifteen days 357 of that month, and on or before the fifth day of each month, covering 358 the sixteenth through the last day of the preceding month. A recycler 359 shall report the information contained on such lists to the National 360 Motor Vehicle Title Information System under 49 USC Section 30504. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to require the 361 362 department to report any of such information to said title information 363 system.

(b) No motor vehicle recycler licensee may receive a motor vehicle unless the licensee receives the vehicle's certificate of title, if the vehicle is required to have title, or a copy of the vehicle's certificate of title made by an insurance company pursuant to section 14-16c, as amended by this act, at the time of receipt of the vehicle. Upon receipt of any such certificate or copy, such licensee shall stamp on it the word "JUNKED" in one-inch-high letters not to exceed three inches in length. Any certificate of title received, other than a title acquired for use in connection with the licensee's business, shall accompany the list sent pursuant to subsection (a) of this section. Any such copy received shall be maintained for as long as the junk is on the licensee's premises. If the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles determines that information concerning junked motor vehicles required to be reported by a licensee to the National Motor Vehicle Title Information System under 49 USC Sections 30501 to 30505, inclusive, and 28 CFR Sections 25.51 to 25.57, inclusive, is available to the department on a regular basis from the National Motor Vehicle Title Information System, the commissioner may discontinue the requirement that a licensee submit to the

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- department (1) a list of vehicles or parts received, in accordance with
- 383 the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, and (2) certificates of
- 384 <u>title or copies of such certificates, in accordance with the provisions of</u>
- 385 this subsection.
- Sec. 11. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2010) (a) Before the
- 387 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles issues a motor vehicle operator's
- 388 license, commercial driver's license or identity card to any person who
- 389 is not a citizen or national of the United States, the commissioner shall
- 390 verify that such person has been lawfully admitted for permanent or
- 391 temporary residence in the United States.
- 392 (b) The commissioner shall not accept an application for a motor
- 393 vehicle operator's license, commercial driver's license or identity card
- 394 from any person who is not a citizen or national of the United States
- 395 unless it is accompanied by valid, documentary evidence that the
- 396 person:
- 397 (1) Is an alien lawfully admitted for permanent or temporary
- 398 residence in the United States;
- 399 (2) Has conditional permanent resident status in the United States;
- 400 (3) Has an approved application for asylum in the United States or
- 401 has entered into the United States in refugee status;
- 402 (4) Has a valid, unexpired nonimmigrant visa or nonimmigrant visa
- 403 status for entry into the United States;
- 404 (5) Has a pending application for asylum in the United States;
- 405 (6) Has a pending or approved application for temporary protected
- 406 status in the United States;
- 407 (7) Has approved deferred action status; or
- 408 (8) Has a pending application for adjustment of status to that of an
- 409 alien lawfully admitted for (A) permanent residence in the United

States, or (B) conditional permanent resident status in the United States.

(c) If an applicant for an operator's license, commercial driver's license or identity card under subsection (b) of this section provides evidence that such applicant has the status described in any provision of subdivisions (4) to (8), inclusive, of subsection (b) of this section, or otherwise indicates that such applicant's presence in the United States is, pursuant to any provision of federal law, of limited duration and if the commissioner determines that such applicant has satisfied all other requirements for the issuance of such license, the commissioner shall issue a limited-term motor vehicle operator's license, commercial driver's license or identity card. Such license or identity card shall be valid only during the applicant's authorized stay in the United States or, if there is no definite end to the authorized period of stay, for one year. The expiration date of any license or identity card issued under this section shall be clearly displayed on such license or card, and shall clearly indicate that it is of limited duration. The name or other means of identification of the department employee who issues or renews any license or identity card shall be entered into the records of the department. The commissioner shall not grant an application for renewal or for an extension of the term of any such license or identity card unless the holder of such license or identity card presents evidence that an authorized official or agency of the United States government has extended such holder's period of authorized stay. The fee for a motor vehicle operator's license, commercial driver's license or identity card issued for a limited term shall be prorated annually in accordance with the provisions of section 1-1h, 14-41 or 14-44h of the general statutes, as applicable.

Sec. 12. Section 14-46 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2010*):

Any physician, [may] physician assistant licensed pursuant to chapter 370 or advanced practice registered nurse licensed pursuant to chapter 378 shall report to the Department of Motor Vehicles, in

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443 writing, the name, age and address of any person diagnosed by him or 444 her to have any chronic health problem which in [the physician's] his 445 or her judgment will significantly affect the person's ability to safely 446 operate a motor vehicle, or to have recurrent periods of 447 unconsciousness uncontrolled by medical treatment. [Any] The Board 448 of Education and Services for the Blind or any optometrist [may] shall 449 report to the department, in writing, the name, age and address of any 450 person known by [him] the board or optometrist to have a vision 451 problem which in the board's or optometrist's judgment will 452 significantly affect the person's ability to safely operate a motor 453 vehicle. Such reports shall be for the information of the commissioner 454 in enforcing state motor vehicle laws, and shall be kept confidential 455 and used solely for the purpose of determining the eligibility of any 456 person to operate a motor vehicle on the highways of this state. No 457 civil action may be brought against any person who, in good faith, 458 provides a report pursuant to this section.

- Sec. 13. Subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of section 14-52 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):
- 462 (2) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, each applicant for a new car dealer's or a used car dealer's license shall furnish a surety bond in the amount of [twenty] <u>fifty</u> thousand dollars.
- Sec. 14. Section 14-64 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2010*):

The commissioner may suspend or revoke the license or licenses of any licensee or impose a civil penalty of not more than one thousand dollars for each violation on any licensee or both, when, after notice and hearing, the commissioner finds that the licensee (1) has violated any provision of any statute or regulation of any state or any federal statute or regulation pertaining to its business as a licensee or has failed to comply with the terms of a final decision and order of any state department or federal agency concerning any such provision; or

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(2) has failed to maintain such records of transactions concerning the purchase, sale or repair of motor vehicles or major component parts, as required by such regulations as shall be adopted by the commissioner, for a period of two years after such purchase, sale or repairs, provided the records shall include the vehicle identification number and the name and address of the person from whom each vehicle or part was purchased and to whom each vehicle or part was sold, if a sale occurred; or (3) has failed to allow inspection of such records by the commissioner or the commissioner's representative during normal business hours, provided written notice stating the purpose of the inspection is furnished to the licensee, or has failed to allow inspection of such records by any representative of the Division of State Police within the Department of Public Safety or any organized local police department, which inspection may include examination of the premises to determine the accuracy of such records; or (4) has made a false statement as to the condition, prior ownership or prior use of any motor vehicle sold, exchanged, transferred, offered for sale or repaired if the licensee knew or should have known that such statement was false; or (5) is not qualified to conduct the licensed business, applying the standards of section 14-51 and the applicable regulations; or (6) has violated any provision of sections 42-221 to 42-226, inclusive; or (7) has failed to fully execute or provide the buyer with (A) an order as described in section 14-62, (B) the properly assigned certificate of title, or (C) a temporary transfer or new issue of registration; or (8) has failed to deliver a motor vehicle free and clear of all liens, unless written notification is given to the buyer stating such motor vehicle shall be purchased subject to a lien; or (9) has violated any provision of sections 14-65f to 14-65j, inclusive; or (10) has used registration number plates issued by the commissioner, in violation of the provisions and standards set forth in sections 14-59 and 14-60 and the applicable regulations; or (11) has failed to secure or to account for or surrender to the commissioner on demand official registration plates or any other official materials in its custody; or (12) has been convicted, or if the licensee is a firm or corporation, an officer or major stockholder has been convicted, of a violation of any provision of laws pertaining to the

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- business of a motor vehicle dealer or repairer including a motor vehicle recycler, or of any violation involving fraud, larceny or deprivation or misappropriation of property, in the courts of the United States or of any state, or has failed to make full disclosure of any such conviction. In addition to, or in lieu of, the imposition of any other penalties authorized by this section, the commissioner may order any such licensee to make restitution to any aggrieved customer.
- Sec. 15. Subsection (a) of section 14-163c of the 2010 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2010*):
 - (a) The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles may adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, which incorporate by reference the standards set forth in 49 CFR Parts 382 to 397, inclusive, as amended. Such regulations, adopted by reference to the provisions of 49 CFR Parts 382 to 397, inclusive, as amended, may be made applicable to any motor vehicle or motor carrier, as defined in 49 CFR Part 390, which (1) is in intrastate commerce and has a gross vehicle weight rating or gross combination weight rating or gross vehicle weight or gross combination weight of eighteen thousand one or more pounds; or (2) is in interstate commerce and has a gross vehicle weight rating or gross combination weight rating or gross vehicle weight or gross combination weight of ten thousand one or more pounds; or (3) (A) is [a service bus, as defined in section 14-1] designed or used to transport more than eight passengers, including the driver, for compensation, or (B) is designed or used to transport more than fifteen passengers, including the driver, and is not used to transport passengers for compensation; or (4) is used in the transportation of hazardous materials in a quantity requiring placarding under the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act, 49 USC App. 1801 to 1813, inclusive, unless exempted under the provisions of the code or the provisions of subsection (b) of this section.
 - Sec. 16. Section 14-36k of the 2010 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*

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If any person who is less than eighteen years of age is convicted of operating a motor vehicle without an operator's license, in accordance with the provisions of section 14-36 or subdivision (2) of section 14-215b, the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, upon determination that such person [does] <u>did</u> not hold an operator's license <u>at the time of the offense</u>, shall not issue an operator's license to such person <u>or shall suspend the operator's license of such person</u> for a period of at least one year.

- Sec. 17. Subdivision (1) of subsection (k) of section 14-164c of the 2010 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
- (k) (1) The commissioner, with approval of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, shall establish, and from time to time modify, the inspection fees, not to exceed twenty dollars for each biennial inspection or reinspection required pursuant to this chapter for inspections performed at official emissions inspection stations. Such fees shall be paid in a manner prescribed by the commissioner. If the costs to the state of the emissions inspection program, including administrative costs and payments to any independent contractor, exceed the income from such fees, such excess costs shall be borne by the state. Any person whose vehicle has been inspected at an official emissions inspection station shall, if such vehicle is found not to comply with any required standards, have the vehicle repaired and have the right within sixty consecutive calendar days to return such vehicle to the same official emissions inspection station for one reinspection without charge, provided, where the sixtieth day falls on a Sunday, legal holiday or a day on which the commissioner has established that special circumstances or conditions exist that have caused emissions inspection to be impracticable, such person may return such vehicle for reinspection on the next day. The commissioner shall assess a late fee of twenty dollars for the emissions inspection of a motor vehicle performed at an official emissions inspection station

later than thirty days after the expiration date of the assigned 576 577 inspection or reinspection period provided the commissioner may 578 waive such late fee when it is proven to the commissioner's satisfaction 579 that the failure to have the vehicle inspected within thirty days of the 580 assigned inspection or reinspection period was due to exigent 581 circumstances. If ownership of the motor vehicle has been transferred 582 subsequent to the expiration date of the assigned inspection or 583 reinspection period and the new owner has such motor vehicle 584 inspected within thirty days of the registration of such motor vehicle, 585 the commissioner shall waive the late fee. If the thirtieth day falls on a 586 Sunday, legal holiday or a day on which the commissioner has 587 established that special circumstances or conditions exist that have 588 caused emissions inspection to be impracticable, such vehicle may be 589 inspected on the next day and no late fee shall be assessed.

- Sec. 18. Section 14-115a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2010*):
- No process to compel the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles to furnish a copy of [an abstract of a driver's history record] <u>any</u> document from a motor vehicle record, as defined in section 14-10, as amended by this act, of any person shall be issued unless such request is in writing and unless at least seven working days have elapsed since the receipt thereof by the commissioner.
- Sec. 19. Subsection (c) of section 14-219 of the 2010 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):
 - (c) Any person who violates any provision of subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of this section or who operates a motor vehicle (1) on a multiple lane, limited access highway at a rate of speed greater than seventy miles per hour but not greater than eighty-five miles per hour, or (2) on any other highway at a rate of speed greater than sixty miles per hour but not greater than eighty-five miles per hour, shall be fined not less than one hundred dollars nor more than one hundred fifty

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- 608 dollars, provided any such person operating a [truck, as defined in 609 section 14-260n, motor vehicle described in subsection (a) of section 610 14-163c, as amended by this act, shall be fined not less than one 611 hundred fifty dollars nor more than two hundred dollars.
- 612 Sec. 20. Section 14-61 of the 2010 supplement to the general statutes 613 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July* 614 1, 2010):
- 615 (a) Any dealer licensed under the provisions of [this] subpart (D) of 616 part III of chapter 246 who in the opinion of the commissioner is 617 qualified and sells or trades a passenger motor vehicle, motorcycle, 618 camper, camp trailer or truck with a gross vehicle weight up to and 619 including twenty-six thousand pounds to a transferee who holds a 620 current registration certificate for a passenger motor vehicle, motorcycle, camper, camp trailer or truck with a gross vehicle weight 622 up to and including twenty-six thousand pounds registered in this 623 state may issue a sixty-day temporary transfer of such registration to 624 the vehicle transferred with an official stamp issued by the 625 commissioner, under regulations adopted by the commissioner, to 626 such dealer. The commissioner shall charge such dealer a fee of ten 627 dollars for each new temporary dealer transfer form furnished for the 628 purposes of this section. No dealer may make such temporary transfer 629 of a registration unless the transferee surrenders the current 630 registration certificate to the dealer indicating the disposition of the vehicle described thereon in the space provided on the reverse side of 631 632 such certificate and unless the transferee is eighteen years of age or 633 older. The dealer shall, within five days from the issuance of such temporary registration, submit to the commissioner an application together with all necessary documents for a permanent registration for the vehicle transferred. No such temporary registration may be issued 637 if the transferred passenger motor vehicle, motorcycle, camper, camp 638 trailer or truck with a gross vehicle weight up to and including twenty-639 six thousand pounds is used and was not previously registered in this 640 state unless the inspection requirements of section 14-12 have been met or, if such motor vehicle is ten or more years old, unless the inspection

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- requirements of section 14-16a have been met, or if such motor vehicle has been declared a total loss by an insurance company, unless the inspection requirements of section 14-103a have been met.
- 645 (b) The commissioner may require any dealer who is authorized to issue a temporary transfer of registration in accordance with 646 647 subsection (a) of this section or a new registration in accordance with 648 subsection (c) of section 14-12 to file each application for a permanent 649 registration by electronic transmission of an electronic record if the 650 commissioner determines that the dealer files, on average, ten or more 651 such applications for permanent registration each month with the 652 Department of Motor Vehicles. The provisions of this subsection do 653 not preclude any such dealer from filing an application for a 654 permanent registration in person at any branch office of the 655 department.
 - (c) If any dealer licensed under subpart (D) of part III of chapter 246 holds a dealer license that is no longer valid or if any such licensed dealer is no longer conducting its licensed business, such dealer shall return to the commissioner, within five business days of such license becoming invalid or the termination of such business, (1) any number plates or other materials supplied by the commissioner to enable such dealer to issue new registrations under subsection (c) of section 14-12 or to complete the temporary transfer of registrations under subsection (a) of this section, and (2) any unused application forms for new registrations or registration transfers. A violation of any provision of this subsection shall be an infraction.
- Sec. 21. Subsection (b) of section 14-58 of the 2010 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
 - (b) Each such licensee shall, instead of registering each motor vehicle owned by such licensee or temporarily in such licensee's custody, make application to the commissioner for a general distinguishing number and mark, and the commissioner may issue to

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the applicant a certificate or certificates of registration containing the distinguishing number and mark assigned to such applicant, and made in a form and containing any further information that the commissioner may determine, and, thereupon, each motor vehicle owned by the applicant or temporarily in the applicant's custody shall be regarded as registered under and having assigned to it such general distinguishing number and mark until sold. For the registration of all motor vehicles [,] registered under a general distinguishing number and mark, the commissioner shall charge a fee at the rate of seventy dollars per year. No new car dealer may be issued more than one such registration for each ten sales transactions in a year [or] and no repairer or limited repairer may be issued more than three registrations in a year, unless such licensee makes application for an additional registration to the commissioner, in such form and containing such information as the commissioner may require to substantiate such request. No used car dealer may be issued more than three such registrations in a year, provided an additional registration may be issued for each ten sales transactions in excess of thirty such transactions upon submission of such application for an additional registration. The commissioner may issue to each such licensee such additional registrations as the commissioner deems necessary. The commissioner may withdraw any registration previously issued or may limit the number of registrations which any licensee is eligible to receive or to hold, [in any case where the] if the commissioner determines that a licensee does not require such number of registrations or if a licensee has been found to be in violation of any of the provisions of section 14-64, as amended by this act.

- Sec. 22. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 14-41 of the 2010 supplement to the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2010*):
- (a) Except as provided in section 14-41a, each motor vehicle operator's license shall be renewed every six years or every four years on the date of the operator's birthday in accordance with a schedule to be established by the commissioner. Upon every other renewal of a

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708 motor vehicle operator's license, the commissioner may issue such 709 license without the personal appearance of the licensee if (1) such licensee has a digital image on file with the commissioner, and (2) such 710 711 licensee has fulfilled all other requirements for such renewal. On and 712 after July 1, 2011, the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall screen the 713 vision of each motor vehicle operator prior to every other renewal of 714 the operator's license of such operator in accordance with a schedule 715 adopted by the commissioner. Such screening requirement shall apply 716 to every other renewal following the initial screening. In lieu of the 717 vision screening by the commissioner, such operator may submit the 718 results of a vision screening conducted by a licensed health care 719 professional qualified to conduct such screening on a form prescribed 720 by the commissioner during the twelve months preceding such 721 renewal. No motor vehicle operator's license may be renewed unless 722 the operator passes such vision screening. The commissioner shall 723 adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to 724 implement the provisions of this subsection related to the 725 administration of vision screening.

- (b) An original operator's license shall expire within a period not exceeding six years following the date of the operator's next birthday. The fee for such original license shall be computed at the rate of forty-four dollars for a four-year license, sixty-six dollars for a six-year license and eleven dollars per year [for] or any part of a year. [thereof.] The commissioner may authorize an automobile club or association, licensed in accordance with the provisions of section 14-67 on or before July 1, 2007, to perform license renewals, renewals of identity cards issued pursuant to section 1-1h and registration transactions at its office facilities. The commissioner may authorize such automobile clubs or associations to charge a convenience fee, which shall not exceed two dollars, [to each applicant] for each renewal or registration transaction.
- Sec. 23. Section 14-163 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

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- (a) The commissioner shall compile information concerning motor vehicles and snowmobiles subject to property taxation pursuant to section 12-71 using the records of the Department of Motor Vehicles and information reported by owners of motor vehicles and snowmobiles. In addition to any other information the owner of a motor vehicle or snowmobile is required to file with the commissioner by law, such owner shall provide the commissioner with the name of the town in which such owner's motor vehicle or snowmobile is to be set in the list for property tax purposes, pursuant to section 12-71. On or before December 1, 2004, and annually thereafter, the commissioner shall [furnish] provide to each assessor in this state a list identifying motor vehicles and snowmobiles that are subject to property taxation in each such assessor's town. Said list shall include the names and addresses of the owners of such motor vehicles and snowmobiles, [together with] and the vehicle identification numbers for all such vehicles for which such numbers are available.
- (b) On or before October 1, 2004, and annually thereafter, the commissioner shall [furnish] provide to each assessor in this state a list identifying motor vehicles and snowmobiles in each such assessor's town that were registered subsequent to the first day of October of the assessment year immediately preceding, but prior to the first day of August in such assessment year, and that are subject to property taxation on a supplemental list pursuant to section 12-71b. In addition to the information for each such vehicle and snowmobile specified under subsection (a) of this section that is available to the commissioner, the list provided under this subsection shall include a code related to the date of registration of each such vehicle or snowmobile.
- (c) No assessor shall disclose any information contained in any list provided by the commissioner pursuant to subsections (a) and (b) of this section if the commissioner is not required to provide such information or if such information is protected from disclosure under state or federal law.

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- Sec. 24. Subsection (a) of section 14-18 of the 2010 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
 - (a) (1) Each motor vehicle for which one number plate has been issued shall, while in use or operation upon any public highway, display in a conspicuous place at the rear of such vehicle the number plate. [Each such motor vehicle shall also display a sticker on the number plate or elsewhere] The commissioner may issue a sticker denoting the expiration date of the registration. Such sticker shall be displayed in such place on the vehicle [,] as the commissioner may direct. [, denoting the expiration date of the registration.] Such sticker may contain the corresponding letters and numbers of the registration and number plate [, as assigned] issued by the commissioner.
 - (2) Each motor vehicle for which two number plates have been issued shall, while in use or operation upon any public highway, display in a conspicuous place at the front and the rear of such vehicle the number plates. [Each such motor vehicle shall also display a sticker on the rear number plate or elsewhere] The commissioner may issue a sticker denoting the expiration date of the registration. Such sticker shall be displayed in such place on the vehicle [,] as the commissioner may direct. [, denoting the expiration date of the registration, which] Such sticker may contain the corresponding letters and numbers of the number plate [, as assigned] issued by the commissioner.
 - Sec. 25. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 14-253a of the 2010 supplement to the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
 - (a) For the purposes of this section:
 - (1) "Special license plate" means a license plate displaying the international symbol of access in a size identical to that of the letters or numerals on the plate and in a color that contrasts with the background color of the plate;

- (2) "Removable windshield placard" means a two-sided, hanger-style placard which bears on both of its sides: (A) The international symbol of access in a height of three inches or more centered on such placard and colored white on a blue background; (B) a unique identification number; (C) a date of expiration; and (D) a statement indicating that the Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicles issued such placard;
- (3) "Temporary removable windshield placard" means a placard that is the same as a removable windshield placard except that the international symbol of access appears on a red background; and
- (4) "Person with disabilities" means a person with disabilities which limit or impair the ability to walk, as defined in 23 CFR [Part] Section 1235.2.
 - (b) The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall accept applications and renewal applications for special license plates and removable windshield placards from (1) any person who is blind, as defined in section 1-1f; (2) any person with disabilities; (3) any parent or guardian of any person who is blind or any person with disabilities, if such person is under eighteen years of age at the time of application; (4) any parent or guardian of any person who is blind or any person with disabilities, if such person is unable to request or complete an application; and (5) any organization which meets criteria established by the commissioner and which certifies to the commissioner's satisfaction that the vehicle for which a plate or placard is requested is primarily used to transport persons who are blind or persons with disabilities. On and after January 1, 2010, no person shall be issued a placard in accordance with this section unless such person is the holder of a valid motor vehicle operator's license, or identification card issued in accordance with the provisions of section 1-1h. The commissioner is authorized to adopt regulations for the issuance of placards to persons who, by reason of hardship, do not hold or cannot obtain an operator's license or identification card. The commissioner shall maintain a record of each placard issued to any such person. Such

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applications and renewal applications shall be on a form prescribed by the commissioner. [and shall include certification of disability from a licensed physician, physician's assistant or advanced practice registered nurse, licensed in accordance with the provisions of chapter 378, or certification of legal blindness from the Board of Education and Services for the Blind, an ophthalmologist or an optometrist. In the case of persons with disabilities, the application shall also include certification from a licensed physician, an advanced practice registered nurse, licensed in accordance with the provisions of chapter 378, or a member of the handicapped driver training unit established pursuant to section 14-11b that the applicant meets the definition of persons with disabilities which limit or impair the ability to walk, as defined in 23 CFR Section 1235.2.] In the case of persons with disabilities, the application and renewal application shall include: (A) Certification by a licensed physician, a physician's assistant, or an advanced practice registered nurse licensed in accordance with the provisions of chapter 378, that the applicant is disabled; (B) certification by a licensed physician, a physician's assistant, an advanced practice registered nurse licensed in accordance with the provisions of chapter 378, or a member of the handicapped driver training unit established pursuant to section 14-11b, that the applicant meets the definition of a person with a disability which limits or impairs the ability to walk, as defined in 23 CFR Section 1235.2. In the case of persons who are blind, the application or renewal application shall include certification of legal blindness made by the Board of Education and Services for the Blind, an ophthalmologist or an optometrist. Any person who makes a certification required by this subsection shall sign the application or renewal application under penalty of false statement pursuant to section 53a-157b. The commissioner, in said commissioner's discretion, may accept the discharge papers of a disabled veteran, as defined in section 14-254, in lieu of such certification. The commissioner may require additional certification at the time of the original application or at any time thereafter. If a person who has been requested to submit additional certification fails to do so within thirty days of the request, or if such additional certification is deemed by the commissioner to be

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- 873 unfavorable to the applicant, the commissioner may refuse to issue or, 874 if already issued, suspend or revoke such special license plate or 875 placard. The commissioner shall not issue more than one placard per 876 applicant. The fee for the issuance of a temporary removable 877 windshield placard shall be five dollars. Any person whose application 878 has been denied or whose special license plate or placard has been 879 suspended or revoked shall be afforded an opportunity for a hearing 880 in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54.
- Sec. 26. Subsection (h) of section 54-56g of the 2010 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):
 - (h) The provisions of this section shall not be applicable in the case of (1) any person charged with a violation of section 14-227a while operating a commercial motor vehicle, as defined in section 14-1; or (2) any person charged with a violation of section 14-227a who holds a commercial driver's license, as defined in section 14-1.
- Sec. 27. Section 14-9a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):
- 891 (a) The Department of Motor Vehicles shall, subject to the 892 provisions of section 31-51i, require each external applicant for a 893 position of employment with the department (1) to state whether the 894 applicant has ever been convicted of a crime, to state whether criminal 895 charges are pending against the applicant at the time of the application 896 and, if so, to identify the charges and court in which they are pending, 897 and (2) if offered employment with the department, to be fingerprinted 898 and to submit to state and national criminal history records checks. 899 The criminal history records checks required by this section shall be in 900 accordance with section 29-17a.
 - (b) The Department of Motor Vehicles, subject to the provisions of section 31-51i and the standards set forth in 6 CFR Section 37.45, shall require each employee who is involved in the manufacture or production of drivers' licenses or identity cards or who has the ability

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905 to affect the identity information that appears on a driver's license or 906 an identity card to submit to a background check that includes namebased and fingerprint-based criminal history records checks of federal 907 908 and state repository records. Upon receipt of the criminal history 909 record of any such employee, the department shall evaluate such 910 record by applying the criteria set forth in 6 CFR Section 37.45(b)(1). 911 The department shall not employ any such employee with a 912 disqualifying criminal offense, as set forth in 6 CFR Section 913 37.45(b)(1)(i) or 37.45(b)(1)(ii), in a position described in this 914 subsection, and shall not employ any such employee with a 915 disqualifying condition, as set forth in 6 CFR Section 37.45(b)(1)(iii) or 916 37.45(b)(1)(iv), until such condition is no longer applicable.

- Sec. 28. Subsection (i) of section 14-227b of the 2010 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
- (i) Except as provided in subsection (j) of this section, the commissioner shall suspend the operator's license or nonresident operating privilege of a person who did not contact the department to schedule a hearing, who failed to appear at a hearing, or against whom, [after] as the result of a hearing [,] held by the commissioner [held] pursuant to subsection (h) of this section, as of the effective date contained in the suspension notice, [or the date the commissioner renders a decision, whichever is later, for a period of: (1) (A) Except as provided in subparagraph (B) of this subdivision, ninety days, if such person submitted to a test or analysis and the results of such test or analysis indicated that such person had an elevated blood alcohol content, (B) one hundred twenty days, if such person submitted to a test or analysis and the results of such test or analysis indicated that the ratio of alcohol in the blood of such person was sixteen-hundredths of one per cent or more of alcohol, by weight, or (C) six months if such person refused to submit to such test or analysis, (2) if such person has previously had such person's operator's license or nonresident operating privilege suspended under this section, (A) except as provided in subparagraph (B) of this subdivision, nine months if such

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Sec. 29. Subsection (e) of section 14-10 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):

(e) In the event (1) a federal court judge, federal court magistrate or judge of the Superior Court, Appellate Court or Supreme Court of the state, (2) a member of a municipal police department or a member of the Division of State Police within the Department of Public Safety, (3) an employee of the Department of Correction, (4) an attorney-at-law who represents or has represented the state in a criminal prosecution, (5) a member or employee of the Board of Pardons and Paroles, (6) a judicial branch employee regularly engaged in court-ordered enforcement or investigatory activities, (7) an inspector employed by the Division of Criminal Justice, (8) a federal law enforcement officer who works and resides in this state, [or] (9) a state referee under section 52-434, or (10) a lake patrolman appointed pursuant to subsection (a) of section 7-151b engaged in boating law enforcement, submits a written request and furnishes such individual's business

- address to the commissioner, such business address only shall be disclosed or available for public inspection to the extent authorized by
- 975 this section.
- 976 Sec. 30. Subsection (f) of section 14-10 of the general statutes is
- 977 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 978 *October 1, 2010*):
- 979 (f) The commissioner may disclose personal information from a 980 motor vehicle record to:
- 981 (1) Any federal, state or local government agency in carrying out its 982 functions or to any individual or entity acting on behalf of any such 983 agency, or
- (2) Any individual, organization or entity that signs and files with the commissioner, under penalty of false statement as provided in section 53a-157b, a statement on a form approved by the commissioner, together with such supporting documentation or information as the commissioner may require, that such information will be used for any of the following purposes:
 - (A) In connection with matters of motor vehicle or driver safety and theft, motor vehicle emissions, motor vehicle product alterations, recalls or advisories, performance monitoring of motor vehicles and dealers by motor vehicle manufacturers, motor vehicle market research activities including survey research, motor vehicle product and service communications and removal of nonowner records from the original owner records of motor vehicle manufacturers to implement the provisions of the federal Automobile Information Disclosure Act, 15 USC 1231 et seq., the Clean Air Act, 42 USC 7401 et seq., and 49 USC Chapters 301, 305 and 321 to 331, inclusive, as amended from time to time, and any provision of the general statutes enacted to attain compliance with said federal provisions;
 - (B) In the normal course of business by the requesting party, but only to confirm the accuracy of personal information submitted by the

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- (C) In connection with any civil, criminal, administrative or arbitral proceeding in any court or government agency or before any self-regulatory body, including the service of process, an investigation in anticipation of litigation by an attorney-at-law or any individual acting on behalf of an attorney-at-law and the execution or enforcement of judgments and orders, or pursuant to an order of any court provided the requesting party is a party in interest to such proceeding;
- (D) In connection with matters of motor vehicle or driver safety and theft, motor vehicle emissions, motor vehicle product alterations, recalls or advisories, performance monitoring of motor vehicles and motor vehicle parts and dealers, producing statistical reports and removal of nonowner records from the original owner records of motor vehicle manufacturers, provided the personal information is not published, disclosed or used to contact individuals except as permitted under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision;
- (E) By any insurer or insurance support organization or by a selfinsured entity or its agents, employees or contractors, in connection with the investigation of claims arising under insurance policies, antifraud activities, rating or underwriting;
- (F) In providing any notice required by law to owners or lienholders named in the certificate of title of towed, abandoned or impounded motor vehicles;
- (G) By an employer or its agent or insurer to obtain or verify information relating to a holder of a passenger endorsement or commercial driver's license required under 49 USC Chapter 313, and sections 14-44 to 14-44m, inclusive;
- (H) In connection with any lawful purpose of a labor organization, as defined in section 31-77, provided (i) such organization has entered into a contract with the commissioner, on such terms and conditions as the commissioner may require, and (ii) the information will be used

- only for the purposes specified in the contract other than campaign or political purposes;
- 1037 (I) For bulk distribution for surveys, marketing or solicitations 1038 provided the commissioner has obtained the express consent of the 1039 individual to whom such personal information pertains;
- (J) For the purpose of preventing fraud by verifying the accuracy of personal information contained in a motor vehicle record, including an individual's photograph or computerized image, as submitted by an individual to a legitimate business or an agent, employee or contractor of a legitimate business, provided the individual has provided express consent in accordance with subdivision (5) of subsection (a) of this section;
- 1047 (K) Inclusion of personal information about persons who have 1048 indicated consent to become organ and tissue donors in a donor 1049 registry established by a procurement organization, as defined in 1050 section 19a-279a;
- 1051 (L) By any private detective or private detective licensed in accordance with the provisions of chapter 534, in connection with an investigation involving matters concerning motor vehicles;
- 1054 (M) By a state marshal, for use in the performance of duties under 1055 the provisions of section 6-38a. Such information shall be provided 1056 telephonically or electronically within a reasonable time.
- Sec. 31. Subsection (f) of section 52-63 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective* 1059 October 1, 2010):
 - (f) The officer serving such process upon the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall leave with the commissioner, at the time of service, a fee of [twenty] <u>fifty</u> dollars, which fee shall be taxed in favor of the plaintiff in his costs if he prevails in the action. The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall keep a record of each such

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Sec. 32. Section 14-111g of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):

(a) For the purposes of this subsection, "moving violation" means any violation of subsection (c) of section 14-36, section 14-36g, 14-218a, 14-219, as amended by this act, 14-222, 14-223, 14-230 to 14-249, inclusive, 14-279 or 14-289b, subsection (d) of section 14-296aa, or section 14-299, 14-301, 14-302 or 14-303, and "suspension violation" means a violation of section 14-222a or 14-224, subsection (a) of section 14-227a, or section 53a-56b, 53a-57 or 53a-60d. The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles may require any licensed motor vehicle operator who is twenty-four years of age or less, who has been convicted of a moving violation or a suspension violation, or both, committed on two or more occasions to attend a motor vehicle operator's retraining program. The commissioner may require any licensed motor vehicle operator over twenty-four years of age, who has been convicted of a moving violation or a suspension violation or a combination of said violations, committed on three or more occasions to attend a motor vehicle operator's retraining program. The retraining program shall (1) review principles of motor vehicle operation, (2) develop alternative attitudes for those attitudes contributing to aggressive driving behavior, and (3) emphasize the need to practice safe driving behavior. The retraining program shall be offered by the Department of Motor Vehicles or by any other organization [conducting such a program] certified by the commissioner, to conduct such a program. The commissioner shall certify the number of organizations necessary to serve the needs of the public. The commissioner shall notify such operator, in writing, of such requirement. A fee of not more than sixty dollars shall be charged for the retraining program. The commissioner, after notice and opportunity for hearing, may suspend the motor vehicle operator's license of any such operator who fails to attend or successfully complete the program until the operator successfully completes the program. The hearing shall be limited to any claim of impossibility of the operator to attend the retraining program, or to a

- 1099 determination of mistake or misidentification.
- (b) Any drivers' school, as defined in section 14-68, that meets the
- licensure requirements of part IV of chapter 246 shall be eligible to
- offer the motor vehicle operator's retraining program.
- [(b)] (c) The commissioner, after notification of and approval by the
- 1104 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, may deduct and
- retain from the fees collected in accordance with subsection (a) of this
- section, an amount not to exceed ten dollars per fee, for the cost of
- implementing the motor vehicle retraining program established in
- subsection (a) of this section.
- [(c)] (d) The commissioner shall adopt regulations in accordance
- 1110 with chapter 54 to implement the provisions of subsections (a) and
- 1111 [(b)] <u>(c)</u> of this section.
- 1112 Sec. 33. Subsection (b) of section 42-133dd of the general statutes is
- 1113 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 1114 *October 1, 2010*):
- 1115 (b) This section shall not apply to (1) the relocation of an existing
- dealer within that dealer's area of responsibility under its franchise,
- provided that the relocation shall not be at a site within six miles of a
- licensed dealer for the same line make of motor vehicle, [or] (2) the
- appointment of a dealer in the same relevant market area, within one
- 1120 year, at either the same location or within a two-mile radius from a
- 1121 predecessor dealer who ceased operations, or (3) the sale of new or
- used motor vehicles by a licensed new motor vehicle dealer at a public
- display of motor vehicles sponsored by an association of licensed new
- motor vehicle dealers representing more than seventy-five per cent of
- such dealers in the state. Such display shall be permitted annually, for
- a period not exceeding four consecutive days.
- 1127 Sec. 34. Section 14-111a of the general statutes is repealed. (Effective
- 1128 *July* 1, 2010)

This act sha	all take effect as follows	and shall amend the following
Section 1	July 1, 2010	14-49(o)
Sec. 2	July 1, 2010	14-44j(g)(2)
Sec. 3	July 1, 2010	14-44k
Sec. 4	from passage	New section
Sec. 5	July 1, 2010	14-22(a)
Sec. 6	October 1, 2010	54-56e(c)
Sec. 7	October 1, 2010	14-100a(c)(1)
Sec. 8	from passage	14-267b(a)
Sec. 9	October 1, 2010	14-16c(a)
Sec. 10	from passage	14-67m(a) and (b)
Sec. 11	October 1, 2010	New section
Sec. 12	July 1, 2010	14-46
Sec. 13	October 1, 2010	14-52(b)(2)
Sec. 14	July 1, 2010	14-64
Sec. 15	July 1, 2010	14-163c(a)
Sec. 16	from passage	14-36k
Sec. 17	from passage	14-164c(k)(1)
Sec. 18	July 1, 2010	14-115a
Sec. 19	October 1, 2010	14-219(c)
Sec. 20	July 1, 2010	14-61
Sec. 21	from passage	14-58(b)
Sec. 22	July 1, 2010	14-41(a) and (b)
Sec. 23	from passage	14-163
Sec. 24	from passage	14-18(a)
Sec. 25	from passage	14-253a(a) and (b)
Sec. 26	October 1, 2010	54-56g(h)
Sec. 27	October 1, 2010	14-9a
Sec. 28	from passage	14-227b(i)
Sec. 29	October 1, 2010	14-10(e)
Sec. 30	October 1, 2010	14-10(f)
Sec. 31	October 1, 2010	52-63(f)
Sec. 32	October 1, 2010	14-111g
Sec. 33	October 1, 2010	42-133dd(b)
Sec. 34	July 1, 2010	Repealer section

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